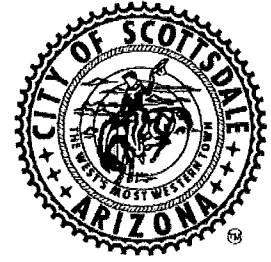


PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT



Meeting Date: May 22, 2019
General Plan Element: *Character and Design*
General Plan Goal: *Maintain landscaping standards that reinforce city character*

ACTION

Landscaping Text Amendment 345-PA-2019

Request to consider the following:

1. To initiate a text amendment to the City of Scottsdale Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 455) for the purpose of amending Article X (Landscaping Requirements) and any other applicable sections, to modify provisions regarding location of synthetic landscape material, and update inconsistent terms and provisions.

Related Policies, References:

Zoning Ordinance

Key Items for Consideration

- Synthetic landscape material is currently prohibited from being visible from adjacent streets
- Inconsistent terms and provisions will be reviewed

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LOCATION

City-wide

PROPOSAL

Purpose of Request

The purpose of this request is to initiate a text amendment to the City of Scottsdale Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of modifying provisions regarding the location of synthetic

landscape material (Section 10.302.A.) and updating inconsistent terms and provisions (various sections).

IMPACT ANALYSIS

Community Involvement

This proposal will include standard community involvement consisting of public notice in the newspaper, online notification, postcard mailing to interested parties and community outreach meetings.

Community Impact

This proposal offers discussion of community's expectation of landscape character.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Recommended Approach:

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission initiate the text amendment.

RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT(S)

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Zoning Ordinance Section 10.302.A

Sec. 10.302. - Topping of landscape areas.

A. All landscape areas (except approved hard surfaced walks and activity areas) shall be finished with natural landscape material such as turf, groundcover, planting, organic mulch, or at least two (2) inches deep decomposed granite or expanded shale. The Development Review Board may approve synthetic landscape material in place of natural landscape material where it is not visible from an adjacent street.